



Minnesota Ag News – Milk Production

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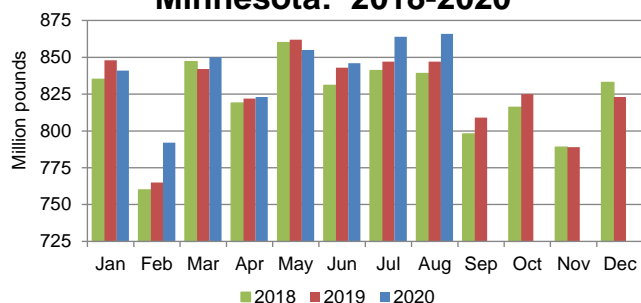
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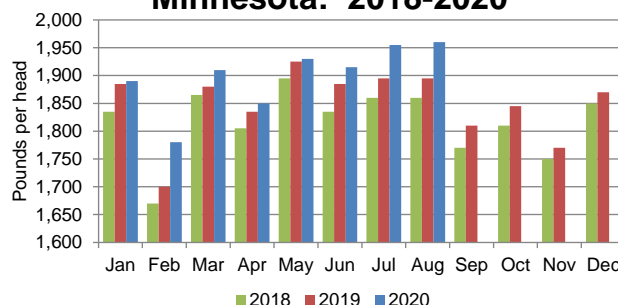
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Milk production in Minnesota during August 2020 totaled 866 million pounds, up 2% from the previous August according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during August, at 442,000 head, was the same as the previous month but down 5,000 from last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,960 pounds, up 65 pounds from last August.

**Milk Production
Minnesota: 2018-2020**



**Milk Production per Cow
Minnesota: 2018-2020**



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: August 2019 and 2020

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	Change from 2019
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona	195	196	1,860	1,835	363	360	-0.8
California	1,725	1,721	1,925	1,965	3,321	3,382	1.8
Colorado	187	198	2,200	2,205	411	437	6.3
Florida	116	111	1,560	1,570	181	174	-3.9
Georgia	80	80	1,690	1,700	135	136	0.7
Idaho	628	645	2,185	2,200	1,372	1,419	3.4
Illinois	83	83	1,670	1,705	139	142	2.2
Indiana	175	183	1,900	1,940	333	355	6.6
Iowa	217	218	2,030	2,060	441	449	1.8
Kansas	162	169	1,955	2,000	317	338	6.6
Michigan	427	428	2,265	2,295	967	982	1.6
Minnesota.....	447	442	1,895	1,960	847	866	2.2
New Mexico	326	326	2,085	2,055	680	670	-1.5
New York	627	626	2,050	2,065	1,285	1,293	0.6
Ohio	250	254	1,830	1,865	458	474	3.5
Oregon	124	123	1,780	1,780	221	219	-0.9
Pennsylvania	485	482	1,710	1,745	829	841	1.4
South Dakota.....	124	137	1,940	1,950	241	267	10.8
Texas	567	590	2,030	2,090	1,151	1,233	7.1
Utah	96	95	1,995	1,975	192	188	-2.1
Vermont	126	122	1,800	1,760	227	215	-5.3
Virginia	74	74	1,590	1,640	118	121	2.5
Washington	281	280	2,090	2,095	587	587	0.0
Wisconsin	1,267	1,257	2,070	2,080	2,623	2,615	-0.3
24-State Total.....	8,789	8,840	1,984	2,009	17,439	17,763	1.9

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 24 major States during August totaled 17.8 billion pounds, up 1.9% from August 2019. July revised production, at 17.9 billion pounds, was up 2.0% from July 2019. The July revision represented an increase of 91 million pounds or 0.5% from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,009 pounds for August, 25 pounds above August 2019.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.84 million head, 51,000 head more than August 2019, but unchanged from July 2020.

Milk production in the United States during August totaled 18.6 billion pounds, up 1.8% from August 2019.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 1,987 pounds for August, 27 pounds above August 2019.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.36 million head, 42,000 head more than August 2019, but unchanged from July 2020.

Monthly Milk Production - 24 Selected States

Million pounds

